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In re Patent Application of)
AMMON et al.) Group Art Unit: 1623
Application No.: 09/011,977) Examiner: H. Owens, Jr.
Filed: June 15, 1998)
For: USE OF BOSWELLIC ACID AND)
ITS DERIVATIVES FOR)
INHIBITING NORMAL AND)
INCREASED LEUCOCYTIC)
ELASTASE OR PLASMIN)
ACTIVITY)

AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action mailed on September 29, 1999, please first amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Specification:

After page 21, please insert the Abstract of the Disclosure attached hereto.

In The Claims:

Please delete claim 11 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter disclosed therein.

Please amend claims 10 and 16 as follows:

10. (Twice Amended) A method for preventing and/or combating [combatting diseases or disease states] diseases selected from the group consisting of pulmonary

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